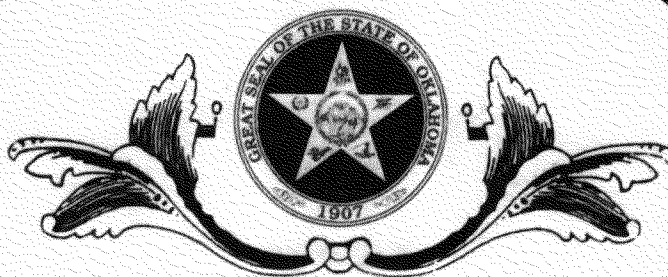


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OF STATE



EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

## Proclamation

**Whereas**, hunting, firearms, and shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of Oklahoma; and

**Whereas**, increasing access to education and shooting sports provides opportunity for individuals to safely learn to shoot and to responsibly increase public participation in shooting sports and hunting; and

**Whereas**, the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation is not only responsible for the sound management and conservation of wildlife but also the teaching of principles of ethical hunting, firearms safety, and responsible firearm use; and

**Whereas**, hundreds of thousands of Oklahomans, young and old, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year, while sportsmen and hunters teach others to understand the responsibilities of owning and using a firearm; and

**Whereas**, the firearm and ammunition industry contributed over \$400 million to the Oklahoma economy and supported over 2,500 jobs, and those engaged in the shooting sports and hunting contributed more than \$10 million in funding for Oklahoma wildlife and conservation efforts in 2022;

**Now Therefore**, I, Governor J. Kevin Stitt, do hereby proclaim August 2023, as

**"National Shooting Sports Month"**

in the State of Oklahoma

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Oklahoma to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Oklahoma City, this thirty-first day of July, in the Year of Our Lord two thousand and twenty-three, and of the State of Oklahoma in the one-hundred and fifteenth year*

*Brian B. B. B.*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Kevin Stitt*  
GOVERNOR

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